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**Our Ref:** RFI 47510

Dear Ms Boyce

**Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Information in Relation to Breach Analysis Data for Adult Mental Health  
Services & Psychological Therapies within the Trust**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to above which you requested on 1 November 2022. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your request. Thank you for your understanding and forbearance.

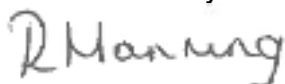
A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Adult Services & Prison Healthcare Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital ([informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net](mailto:informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net)) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office –Northern Ireland, 3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place, Belfast, BT7 2JB. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely



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**Rebecca Manning**  
**Information Governance Officer**

***Please provide the following information for the period January – September 2022:***

***Q1. Breach analysis data for Adult Mental Health Services, provided on a month by month basis. Please break down this data against the following services***

- ***Primary Care Mental Health Team***
- ***Community Mental Health Team***
- ***Older People's Mental Health Team***
- ***Addiction Services***
- ***Forensic Science***
- ***Personality Disorder Services***
- ***Eating Disorder Services***

A1. Please see Attachment 1 - Breach Analysis Data Adult MH Older Peoples MH Services and Psychological Therapies.

Please note that in relation to the Community Mental Health Team, this information is not collated by the Trust because it is considered a secondary wait into services, having been initially assessed by the Trusts Primary Care teams.

Please also note that the Specialist Forensic Science and Eating Disorder Services are not provided by the Trust, therefore the Trust does not hold this information. Should you wish to pursue this request you may wish to contact the Belfast Health & Social Care Trust on [publicliaison@belfasttrust.hscni.net](mailto:publicliaison@belfasttrust.hscni.net)

***Q2. Breach analysis data for Psychological Therapies, provided on a month by month basis.***

A2. Please see Attachment 1 - Breach Analysis Data Adult MH Older Peoples MH Services and Psychological Therapies.

Please note that in relation to the Trusts Personality Disorder Service (PDS), the information requested by month from January to September 2022 is not available because the Trust does not record the information broken down by each month, to obtain this information would require a manual review of records.

This would exceed the 'Appropriate Limit' as defined by the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust therefore exempts the release of this information under Section 12(1).

12.-(1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this statement acts as a Refusal Notice in relation to the information requested for the Trusts personality Disorder Service.

However the Trust can confirm that there are currently <5 patients on the waiting list for the PDS that have not yet been assessed and are outside of the 13 week referral period.

Where numbers are 1-4, in line with Trust policy, it is given as <5, to reduce any risk of identification of individual patients.